

**REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment makes clarifying amendments to the drawings, specification and claims. This Preliminary Amendment amends the claims to conform to United States patent practice. No subject matter has been surrendered and no new subject matter has been added. The amendments are for clarification purposes and are not for substantial or statutory reasons related to patentability.

As to the drawing amendment, amended Fig. 3 on the replacement sheet includes reference letters "a" and "b". The replacement sheet of amended Fig. 3 is a formal drawing.

As to the claim amendments, claims 11 and 12 have been amended and claims 13-15 have been added to remove multiple dependencies. Claim 13 corresponds to claim 11 and depends from claim 9, claim 14 corresponds to claim 12 and depends from claim 11, and claim 15 corresponds to claim 12 and depends from claim 13.

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**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

Replace the single sheet of drawing of Fig. 3 with the enclosed single replacement sheet of drawing of Fig. 3.